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## For: BIOTIN-FACILITATED TRANSPORT IN GRAM NEGATIVE BACTERIA

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on the page entitled "Amendments to the Specification."

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."

An Attachment including amended drawing figures is attached following the last page of this Communication.